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EASLEY REAPPOINTS SIX TO FORESTRY COUNCIL

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley has reappointed **Dale William Cable** of Murphy, **Frederick W. Cubbage** of Raleigh, **Paul D. Hughes** of Marion, **Donald Boyd McSween II** of Charlotte, **Allen L. Plaster** of New Bern and **Daniel D. Richter Jr.** of Durham to the North Carolina Forestry Council.

Cable is the executive vice president of United Community Bank in Murphy. He has been a council member since 1998. Cable is a member of the Murphy Rotary Club, a board member of the Murphy Medical Center Foundation and a board member of the Tri-County Community College Foundation.

Cubbage is a professor and head of the department of forestry at North Carolina State University. Previously, from 1991 until 1994, he was a project leader for the Economics of Forest Protection and Management Work Unit at the Southeastern Forest Experiment Station. He has been a council member since 1998. Cubbage received his bachelor's degree from Iowa State University and his master's and doctorate degrees from the University of Minnesota.

Hughes has been a council member since 1998. He is the executive director of the Isothermal Planning and Development Commission in Rutherfordton. He is a member of the N.C. City-County Managers' Association, the N.C. Association of Regional Council Directors and a board member of the National Association of Development Organizations. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of North Carolina and has taken graduate courses and completed training programs at Appalachian State University and the Institute of Government at UNC-Chapel Hill.

McSween is a city arborist for the city of Charlotte Engineering and Property Management. He has been a council member since 1998. He is a member of the International Society of Arboriculture, the National Arbor Day Foundation and a member of the board of directors of the N.C. Urban Forestry Council. McSween received his bachelor's degree from the University of Georgia and is a certified arborist and qualified for North Carolina pesticide license.

Plaster has been a council member since 2002. He is the president of Comprehensive Forestry Services, where he has worked since 1985. Previously, he was employed with Weyerhaeuser Company from 1968 until 1985. Plaster is a member of the N.C. Forestry Association and a member of the Society of American Foresters. He received his bachelor's degree from N.C. State University and completed graduate coursework at East Carolina University.